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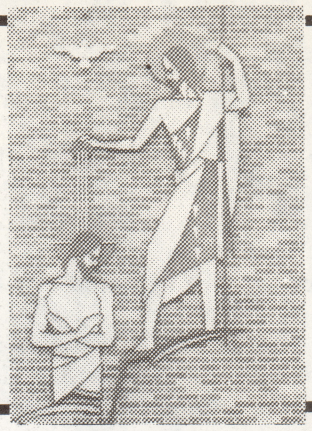


JUST A WORD ...

by Fr. Harvey

HAPPY NEWS

After eight years of numerous meetings, consultations and planning sessions, the final piece of parish property has been sold at our former high school site on Packard and Hewitt Roads in Ypsilanti Township. Upon recommendation of the parish Administration Commission and Parish Council, Bishop Povish signed the closing statement for the last of four parcels of land on Tuesday, June 13, 1978. The 4.84 acres of property, fronting on Hewitt Road was sold to Mr. Leo Capicchioni and Mr. Gerard F. Elmer for the price of $175,000.00. The property was purchased on a land contract. The down payment and quarterly payments will be applied totally to our outstanding debt which at this writing is $522,000.00.

There have been many chapters in the history of the property under discussion, which consisted of approximately 13 acres located on the northeast corner of Packard and Hewitt Roads. The acreage was purchased originally in 1957. A parish high school was constructed there and opened in 1961, with an addition following in the mid-sixties. The debt incurred from the addition made to the high school building (in order to gain accreditation for the school) plus the annual operational debt incurred while the high school was functioning, finally forced the parish to close the high school in June, 1970. From the time of closing to the present, we have attempted to sell both the property and the building. Such disposition was necessary because of the rising debt, and our inability to meet even minimum debt payments. At the time I was appointed pastor here in 1973, the parish indebtedness to the Diocese was $760,000.00.

In 1972, a Chicago developer and builder became interested in the entire parcel of land, including the building. The intended development required rezoning of the land. After one and one-half years of protracted township zoning hearings and meetings, a modified rezoning request was met only to have the intended buyer cancel his option for a multiplicity of reasons beyond our control.

It was then decided to plat the land into four smaller parcels, the maximum number of divisions allowed by law.

In July, 1973, the first parcel was sold to Ann Arbor Federal Savings for the price of $175,000.00. In November of the same year, a small parcel was sold to Gene Butman Ford Sales for the price of $30,000.00. In September of 1975, FaithWay Baptist School purchased the high school building itself after having rented the building for two years, for the price of $400,000.00 on a 15 year land contract. The sale of the final parcel of land last Tuesday, also on a land contract, and the eventual payment of the contract with FaithWay Baptist Church, will hopefully be the main sources of debt eradication for this parish. If I am still alive, I will be happy to join you for the mortgage burning.

Our debt reduction has also been faithfully assisted through proceeds from our weekly Bingo games. This fiscal year alone, the Bingo Committee of our parish under the direction of the parish Activities Commission has presented the parish with $19,000.00 to be applied on the debt. At this point, **no** operational funds from the parish obtained through the Sunday offering have been used for debt payment.

Personally, I am grateful to all parishioners who have assisted us through this trying time as Council members, Administration Commission members and to all who have worked and continue to serve our weekly Bingo.

It's great to begin to see the light of a new horizon and to wiggle, ever so slowly from the mire into which we had plunged. It is an even greater credit to those loyal parishioners who have stood by us in difficult days and helped us plan a new direction for the life of St. John Parish, a life that is both evident and healthy this day.

Parish Nuptial

Mr. & Mrs. Lynn B. Shuey)

On Friday evening, Lynn B. Shuey and Pauline A. Wadaga solemnized their covenant of holy marriage during a Nuptial Mass concelebrated by the bride's brother, Fr. Herbert Wadaga,

S.D.S. of St. Nazianz, Wisconsin and Fr. Harvey.

The groom resides in Ypsilanti and is the son of Mrs. Harry Shuey and the late Mr. Shuey. The bride is a parishioner of this parish and is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wadaga.

Mr. Melvin Light was organist for the Nuptial Mass. Mrs. Ruth Lorenz was the soloist and cantor.

Congratulations, Lynn and Pauline. We wish you many years of happiness together!

In the Peace of Christ

Mary Zwinakas, age 84, died on Thursday, June 8, 1978. Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Saturday, June 10, 1978 by Fr. Harvey in our church. Burial followed in our parish cemetery.

Mary is survived by her husband of 68 years, Walter, 147 Glenwood, 2 daughters, Mrs. Mary Schmalholz of Hale, Michigan and Mrs. John (Agnes) Jokubaitis, 147 Glenwood. Seven grandchildren, including Mary Jean Steeby of this parish, twenty-nine great-grandchildren and seven great great-grandchildren. One sister also survives.

May she receive the reward of her faith and her labors!

Intercessory Prayer

Happy the husband of a good wife, twice-lengthened are his days. A worthy wife brings joy to her husband, peaceful and full is his life. A good wife is a generous gift bestowed upon him who fears the Lord. Be he rich or poor, his heart is content, and a smile is ever on his face. "Priase God." Our heavenly Father today and always we honor You. We thank You for Your son, Jesus. For while we were still sinners Jesus died for us. Being justified by His blood we were reconciled to Him by His death. For now we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a nation, once no people, now God's people, proclaiming His marvelous light.

Our Father, we lift up to you our parish team. May they always call on You for their needs and may they always look to You as a loving Father.

Our Father, we ask for vocations in our parish. "The harvest is great, but laborers are scarce. Beg the harvest master to send out laborers to gather His harvest."

Our Father, we give You our sick, the suffering and lonely. Father, You have truly borne our sufferings and carried our sorrows. May Your healing power be upon them.

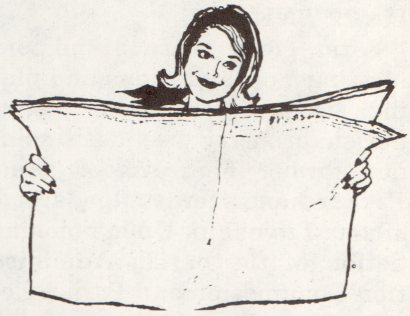
Our Father, we ask for jobs for our graduates and a safe and joyful summer for our children. We thank You, Father.

Our Father, we pray for Robert and Mayra who in sacred marriage said yes to each other and to You, our Father. May their love grow in each other and in You a loving Father.

Our Father, we praise you for sharing Your kingdom with our brother Edward Walczak whom You called from our midst. You are a loving Father.

Our Father, today we honor our earthly fathers. Help us to love our wives as You love Your church. Teach us to give up our will and interests in order to care for our wives and family, so that we present our wives to the Lord in splendor -- as strong, happy, peaceful women. Teach us deep responsibility to our wives to see that her whole life goes well and is in good order before the Lord. Lord, we as fathers should daily submit fully to You. We should pray and read Your word daily. Father, teach us to be strong loving husbands. Help us to use our authority over our family in a loving way. Help us to be spiritual leaders of our families. Give us wisdom in order to serve them and lead them into Your kingdom. Lord, our Father, we want to take Your part, to believe in You and, if necessary, to suffer for You. As fathers of families we look to You daily as a loving Father for strength, direction, wisdom and a loving heart. And may Your peace be upon all of us now and forever.

Praise be to our Father!
David Rocha



Welcome Newcomers

Miss Anna Maria Rodriguez, 2920 International Dr., #204A - 434-6083

Miss Thelma Perez, 310½ Perrin St. - 482-5377 Mrs. Christa von Daggenhausen, 1008 Grant - 482-4807

Miss Denise Moyer, 7 South Grove - 483-4039

Mr. and Mrs. Larry G. Stambaugh, 2475 Carriage Way - 434-0995

Ms. Mary Calliari, 1265 Elmwood Dr., #2 - 434-9039

Mrs. Patricia French, 4097 Chester Dr., Apt. 211 - 971-1412

Miss Irene Sochocki, 504 St. John's, #204 - 482-7503

Ms. Michelle Fleck, 410 W. Forest, #1 - 487-5217

Dads' Club Bingo

Sunday, June 25, 1978
St. Alexis Hall
6:30 P.M.
Guaranteed Jackpot
$2,000.00 Giveaway
All proceeds used to support athletic program at Gabriel Richard High School.

Flea Market Update

St. John's 5th Annual Flea Market for the benefit of St. Vincent de Paul works was a complete success this year in every way. It was a monetary success in that the total funds taken in amounted to $2,035.13 ($1,000.00 more than the previous year) but the most encouraging aspect was that many more parishioners came to help sort and set up and also to purchase. This was the year parishioner participation was at its peak and it has been most appreciated. We are grateful to those who donated used items for the sale and also those who contributed baked goods. It is because of so much support that the St. Vincent de Paul group has much to add to the account in order to continue the help that St. John Parish is most noted for in the community.

As soon as the final bills are paid for our advertising, our final total will be made and this will be the amount listed in our annual Thanksgiving report in November.

Last Sunday donations for the work of St. Vincent de Paul of our parish may be given through the use of envelopes at each door of church. Money will be used to purchase foods for those in need. Foods are purchased where each $1.00 donated will buy $3.00 worth of foods. ... A windfall we have directed to.

Readings for June 18th - 25th

Sunday - Ex. 19:2-6; Rom. 5:6-11; Mt. 9:36-10:8

Monday - I Kgs. 21:1-16; Mt. 5:38-42

Tuesday - I Kgs. 21:17-29; Mt. 5:43-48

Wednesday - II Kgs. 2:1,6-14; Mt. 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday - Sir. 48:1-14; Mt. 6:7-15

Friday - II Kgs. 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt. 6:19-23; Jer. 1:4-10, I Pt. 1:8-12; Lk. 1:5-17

Saturday - Is. 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk. 1:57-66, 80

Sunday - Jer. 20:10-13; Rom. 5:12-15; Mt. 10:26-33

Invitations ...

• **The Lighthouse** - A Christian Performing Arts Company

• Our next concert in Ann Arbor will be Saturday, June 24, at Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre on the University of Michigan's Central Campus (227 South Ingalls Street). The performance will begin at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are priced at $3.50 for the forward sections of the main floor and balcony and $2.50 for all other seats. Children under twelve will be admitted for $1.50.

If you wish to order tickets by telephone, phone (313) 761-8989 Monday through Thursday between 8:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. This number will be operative two weeks prior to the date of the concert.

• The residents of John Knox Village are holding an Open House on Sunday, June 18, from 2:00 to 5:00. This will be an opportunity to see our home including some rooms of residents and to meet some of the people who live here.

Reminders...

• **Washtenaw/Brighton Vicariate Peace & Justice meeting** to be held at Trinity Chapel on Wednesday, June 21st, at 8:00 p.m. ... Is anyone interested in attending this session in our area??? Please call Sr. Carol at 483-3360 and let her know who will be representative from St. John Parish.

• **Senior Citizen trip planned** to Our Lady's Shrine in Carey, Ohio on Thursday, June 29th, leaving at 8:00 a.m. from St. Francis parking lot and arriving home around 5:30 p.m. ... only 49 places on the bus, so reserve early.

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Reservations should be mailed to June Settles, 260 Clark St., Apt. 1, Saline, MI 48176 by JUNE 20th. Include cost with reservation.

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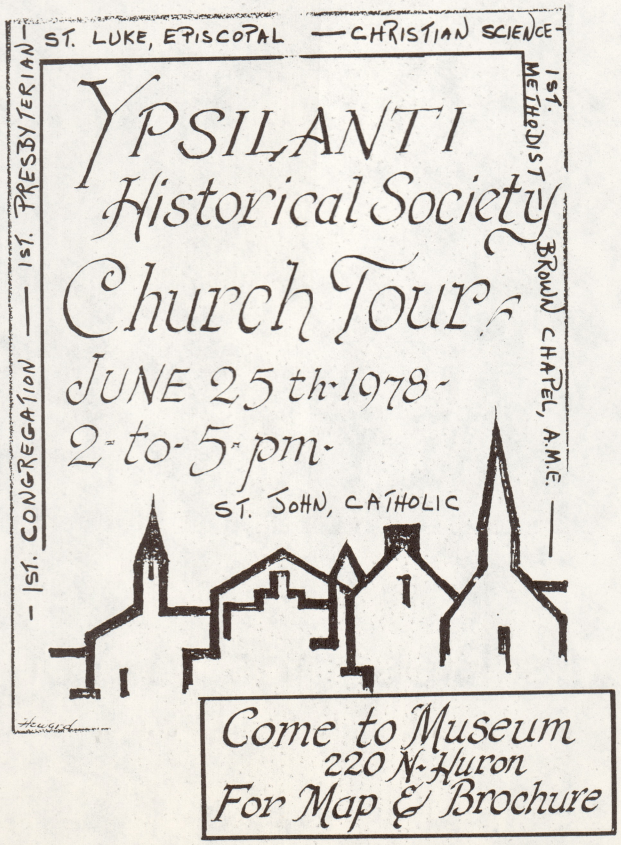

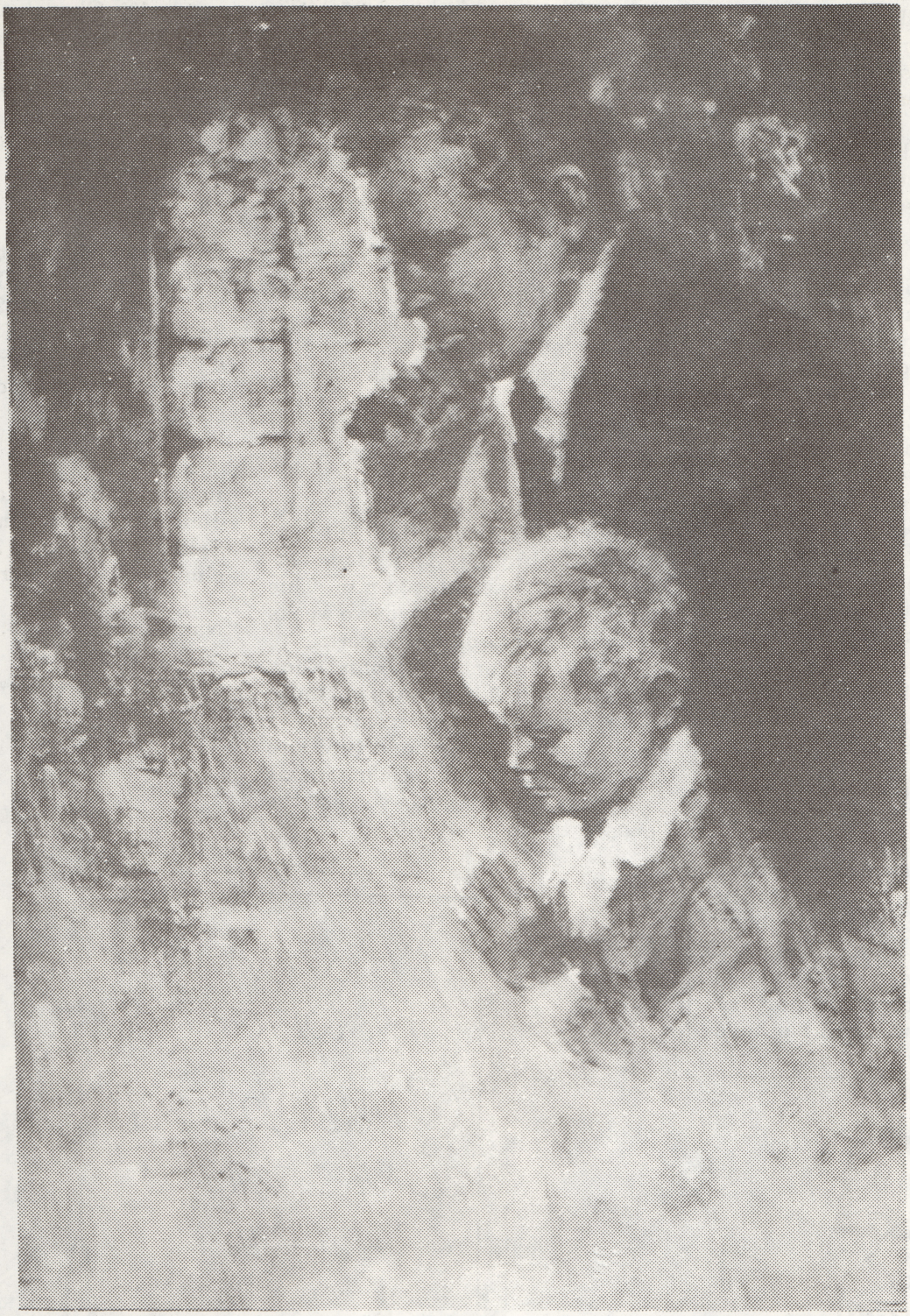

God's Blessings to You This Father's Day

Garage Sale

... to benefit the Washtenaw Catholic School Bus Fund on Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24, from 9-5 at 1906 Roosevelt, Ypsilanti. If you need pick up of items call 483-6249 or 483-5735. Please come and help keep our Catholic School busses running.

Registration Address Change

Name_____

Address_____

City_____

☐ Wish to register
☐ Change of Address
☐ Moving from Parish
New Address will be

Mass Schedule

MONDAY, June 19 - Weekday - St. Romauld, abbot
7:00 a.m. John Mongiat, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Avery
2:30 p.m. Anthony White, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Harold Gooding (at Parkview)

TUESDAY, June 20 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Ray Christian, req. by his mother and daughter

WEDNESDAY, June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga
7:00 a.m. Mrs. Eileen Townsend, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Harold Williams and Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Lamb

THURSDAY, June 22 - Weekday - St. Paulinus, bishop - SS. John Fisher & Thomas More, martyr
7:00 a.m. Julia Conlon, req. by Mr. & Mrs. David Gamret
5:30 p.m. Charles and Penelope Hines (Wedding Anniv.) req. by the children

FRIDAY, June 23 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Helen Falandysz, req. by Clemet and Margaret Falandysz

SATURDAY, June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist
9:00 a.m. John Kopacz, Sr., req. by Stella Kopacz
5:00 p.m. James E. Loy, req. by Brenda Tarrow
6:30 p.m. (Wedding) John Martin and Paula Kay Nau

SUNDAY, June 25 - Twelfth Sunday of Year
7:00 a.m. Intention of Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Joseph Vigo, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Prevost
11:00 a.m. Jack Finn, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Harold Gregg
12:30 p.m. Roma Rogers, req. by Mr. & Mrs. K. O. Robins

Offertory Observation

"The greatest evil is the lack of love and charity, the terrible indifference toward one's neighbor." - Mother Teresa

Financial Barometer June 11, 1978

Sunday Offering $3,833.30
Heritage Fund..... 53.00
Herman Schwall - 38.00
Ed Walczak - 15.00
Bingo (on debt) $1,000.00

Wedding Banns

III John Martin and Paula Kay Nau
II James S. McCoy and Kandace A. Kidd
I Nicholas Jones and Lorraine Lieto

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Mrs. Natalie Bowyer - Parish Activities Commission Coordinator

PHONES

Rectory **483-3360**
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Service: Mrs. Eileen Tardiff 482-1145
Mrs. Kathleen Wysocki 482-3342
Activities: Mrs. Rita Sprague 483-3600
Worship: Mr. Robert Helm 971-6994

LITURGY

Saturday Evening: ..... 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: ..... 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
Holyday: ..... 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.
Daily: ..... 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday ... 2:30 Parkview Home Monday ... 5:30 p.m. Tuesday ... 9:00 a.m. Wednesday and Saturday

BAPTISMS: 12:30 Mass on second Sunday of each month, after Parents/Expectant Parents have completed Baptismal Catechesis. Please pre-register 3 weeks in advance.
WEDDINGS: Notify rectory 2 to 3 months in advance for adequate preparation.
CONFESSIONS: Saturday ... 3:30-4:30 ... Anytime by appointment.
COMMUNAL PENANCE: ..... As Announced
MARIAN DEVOTIONS: ..... Tuesday 6:45 p.m.
REGISTRATION: New parishioner - please register at the rectory. Kindly notify us if moving from the parish.
COMMUNION CALLS: The sick and shut-ins who wish to have Communion brought to them may call the rectory or convent and request it.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preschool: ..... 11:00 a.m. Sunday
Elementary: ..... Tuesday 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Junior High: ..... Tuesday 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Senior High: ..... Mondays 3:45-5:00 p.m. and Wednesday 7:00-8:15 p.m.
Special Education: ..... Arrangements made.
Adult: ..... As Announced.

PARISH SERVICES

Baby-sitting: ..... 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday
Coffee & Doughnuts: ..... After 9:00 and 11:00 Masses except July & August
Bingo: ..... Wednesday 6:45 to 10:30 p.m. - Open 6:15

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Members of the parish team would be happy to join you and your family at dinner. Please feel free to extend your invitation directly to the person you would like to invite.

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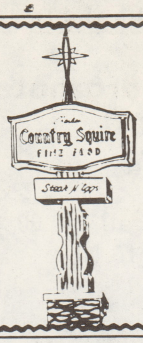

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